

I wish these comments to be included in docket 04-233 on localism.

It is vitally important that distinct, local voices not only be heard but encouraged in an epoch of consolidation and the overwhelming din of corporate voices. To that end I would like the FCC to

expand independent community radio (such as low power fm)

protect local news broadcasts and assist members of the community to present their views on the airwaves

restrict the power of consolidated, region/nation wide companies like Viacom and Clear Channel to buy local stations